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Public Act No. 12-174

AN ACT CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF CERTAIN VESSELS REGISTERED WITH MARINE DEALER REGISTRATION NUMBERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. Section 4 of public act 10-124 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

- (a) Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 268 of the general statutes, [for two years from the effective date of this section,] any person who holds a current passenger-for-hire license issued by the United States Coast Guard and a current charter boat registration issued by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection pursuant to section 26-142a of the general statutes shall not be prohibited from operating a vessel registered with a marine [dealer's] dealer registration number issued pursuant to section 15-145 of the general statutes, provided any such person [has operated] operates a recreational charter fishing guide service using a vessel registered with such a marine [dealer's] dealer registration number in connection with such guide service. [for not less than five of the ten years preceding the effective date of this section.]
- (b) The Commissioner of <u>Energy and</u> Environmental Protection shall not revoke a marine [dealer's] <u>dealer</u> registration number issued

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pursuant to section 15-145 of the general statutes for any vessel used in compliance with subsection (a) of this section.

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